

EFFECTIVE

October 1, 2021.

Subject(s)

Annual Federal cost of living changes for the Food Assistance Program (FAP).

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Bridges is updated to support the annual cost-of-living updates for the FAP standards. The update will appear in Bridges budgets with the effective date of October 1, 2021.

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has determined the maximum FAP issuances are increased for all group sizes. The minimum benefit has increased from \$19 to \$20. The maximum shelter deductions increased from \$586 to \$597. Additionally, FNS has determined the heat and utility standard used in calculating FAP benefits has increased from \$537 to \$559. The cooking fuel and trash/garbage removal standards have decreased, and the remaining standards increased. The FAP standard deduction for all group sizes has increased and the homeless shelter deduction has increased from \$157 to \$160.

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Changed Items ...

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